

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for intermediate storage of data packets during a relocation of a mobile subscriber within a communication network, comprising:
once a data transmission path has moved from a switching network node originally responsible for the mobile subscriber to a switching network node which is to become responsible for the mobile subscriber, intermediately storing the data packets in a previous switching network node until the subscriber data provided for a new data transmission path is located in the last previous switching network node.
2. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the intermediate storage of the data packets is initiated independently of whether the subscriber is to be monitored.
3. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein, for the intermediate storage of the data packets, trigger points are introduced with aid of messages including at least one of a "Forward Relocation Request", "Relocation Request Acknowledge" or "Relocation Detect".
4. (currently amended) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein, after transmission of the ~~mobile~~ mobile subscriber data, buffered data packets are deleted if the mobile subscriber is not to be monitored.
5. (previously presented) A network node for intermediate storage of data packets during a relocation of a mobile subscriber within a communication network, comprising:
a storage device for intermediate storage of data packets after a transmission path has moved from a switching network node originally responsible for the mobile subscriber to become responsible for the network node until the mobile subscriber data provided for a new data transmission path is available.
6. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the previous switching network is a last switching network node.